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## **Arboricultural Services Framework for Parks and Green Spaces in the Cumberland Area**

Cumberland Council

F02: Contract notice

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

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**Region code**

UKD1 - Cumbria

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.cumberland.gov.uk/>

Buyer's address

<https://www.cumberland.gov.uk/>

**I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

[www.the-chest.org.uk](http://www.the-chest.org.uk)

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

[www.the-chest.org.uk](http://www.the-chest.org.uk)

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Regional or local authority

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Arboricultural Services Framework for Parks and Green Spaces in the Cumberland Area

Reference number

DN738762

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 77200000 - Forestry services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

Cumberland Council is seeking to appoint suitably qualified and experienced contractors to a framework agreement for arboricultural services on parks and green spaces in the district.

The agreement will be divided into two areas, reflecting the extent of the district and also existing arrangements by which tree work is being undertaken. Within each area there will be a further sub-division to reflect standard tree works (most work undertaken) and specialist works, where officer discretion identifies a need for technical work on sensitive or vulnerable sites.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £480,000

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

Maximum number of lots that may be awarded to one tenderer: 4

### **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Northern Area Lot 1 (Specialist Arboricultural Work)

Lot No

1

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 77200000 - Forestry services
- 77300000 - Horticultural services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKD1 - Cumbria

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Northern Area Lot 1 (Specialist Arboricultural Work)

This lot will be used for work of a technical nature on sensitive or vulnerable sites which demands the highest standards. This lot will only consider the dismantling or felling of trees and does not include the removal of large volumes of material off a site nor the grinding of stumps. Contractors wishing to apply for this lot must demonstrate current 'Arboricultural Association Approved Contractor' status.

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 40

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 50

### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £200,000

### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

#### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

#### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.1) Title**

Northern Area Lot 2 (Arboricultural Work)

Lot No

2

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 77200000 - Forestry services
- 77300000 - Horticultural services

#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKD1 - Cumbria

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Northern Area Lot 2 (Arboricultural Work)

This lot will be used for all tree surgery work (including climbing and use of aerial

platforms), tree felling, scrub clearance, hedge laying/coppicing, timber extraction and stump grinding. Contractors will be expected to evidence all necessary training and insurances and will be required to work to pre-determined quality standards.

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 40

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 50

#### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £200,000

#### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

#### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

#### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot No

3

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 77200000 - Forestry services
- 77300000 - Horticultural services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKD1 - Cumbria

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Southern Area Lot 1 (Specialist Arboricultural Work)

This lot will be used for work of a technical nature on sensitive or vulnerable sites which demands the highest standards. This lot will only consider the dismantling or felling of trees and does not include the removal of large volumes of material off a site nor the grinding of stumps. Contractors wishing to apply for this lot must demonstrate current 'Arboricultural Association Approved Contractor' status.

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 40

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 40

### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £40,000

### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot No

4

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 77200000 - Forestry services
- 77300000 - Horticultural services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKD1 - Cumbria

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Southern Area Lot 2 (Arboricultural Work)

This lot will be used for all tree surgery work (including climbing and use of aerial platforms), tree felling, scrub clearance, hedge laying/coppicing, timber extraction and stump grinding. Contractors will be expected to evidence all necessary training and insurances and will be required to work to pre-determined quality standards.

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 40

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10



Price - Weighting: 50

#### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £40,000

#### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

#### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

#### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

#### **II.2.14) Additional information**

Suppliers wishing to express an interest and obtain access to the tender documents should go to [www.the-chest.org.uk](http://www.the-chest.org.uk) and click on current opportunities from the navigation area on the left of the screen. On the next screen enter the contract Reference DN738762 in the box labelled 'contains' then click search. Click on the Blue link for the contract title to view the opportunity.

To express an interest you will need to login. If you are not already registered on the [www.the-chest.org.uk](http://www.the-chest.org.uk) you will need to return to the home page and click on Register. Register free link in the navigation area on the left of the screen. Registration is free of charge and your username and password will be emailed to you.

Cumberland Council is fully supportive of all aspects of diversity including ethnicity, race, religion, age, disability and sexual orientation. In this respect Cumberland Council welcomes expressions of interest from ethnic minority, disabled and other diverse

business communities and the voluntary sector. Economic operators are therefore required to fully comply with all statutory obligations/applicable legislation and there will be a requirement to participate in the authority's supplier audits on all aspects of diversity.

The contracting authority expressly reserves the right:

(i) not to award any contract as a result of the procurement process commenced by publication of this notice; and

(ii) to make whatever changes it may see fit to the content and structure of the tendering competition; and in no circumstances will the contracting authority be liable for any costs incurred by the candidates. Any expenditure, work or effort undertaken prior to contract award is accordingly a matter solely for the commercial judgement of potential suppliers.

The contracting authority reserve the right to use any electronic portal during the life of the agreement.

The value provided in Section II.1.5 is only an estimate.

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Open procedure

#### **IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

Envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework agreement: 20

In the case of framework agreements, provide justification for any duration exceeding 4 years:

#### **IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

Originally published as:

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13 September 2024

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Date

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Local time

12:00pm

See the [change notice](#).

#### **IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English

#### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

13 September 2024

Local time

12:00pm

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

Royal Courts of Justice

Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom